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8                   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9                   WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
10                  AT TACOMA

11                  JOHN GREYSTOKE,

12                  Petitioner,

13                  v.

14                  CLALLAM COUNTY CORRECTIONS  
15                  FACILITY,

16                  Respondent.

17                  CASE NO. 3:17-cv-05529-RBL-JRC

18                  ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR  
19                  TELECONFERENCE

20                  The District Court has referred this petition for a writ of habeas corpus to United States  
21                  Magistrate Judge, J. Richard Creatura. The authority for the referral is 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A)  
22                  and (B), and local Magistrate Judge Rules MJR3 and MJR4. Petitioner seeks relief from a state  
23                  conviction, thus, the petition is filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254.

24                  Before the Court is petitioner John Greystoke's motion for a teleconference. Dkt. 13. He  
25                  appears to ask the Court to hear the grounds for his habeas petition on the merits. *Id.* at 3. The  
26                  Court has not yet screened petitioner's habeas petition and therefore has not yet served it on  
27                  respondent. Thus, respondent has not appeared or responded to the petition. Because of this, a

1 teleconference or other hearing is not warranted at this time. Rules Governing Habeas Corpus  
2 Cases Under Section 2254, Rule 8(a).

3 Therefore, the Court denies the motion for a teleconference (Dkt. 13) without prejudice.

4 Petitioner may refile the motion if he believes a telephonic hearing is later warranted.

5 Dated this 2nd day of November, 2017.

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8 J. Richard Creatura  
9 United States Magistrate Judge  
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